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**PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed June 12, 2002, said period of response being extended from September 12, 2002 to October 12, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee.

Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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